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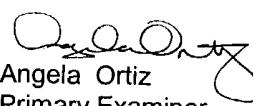
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The reply filed on 03 September 2004 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): claim 7 is dependent upon canceled claim 6, which was dependent from canceled claim 5, the subject matter of which has not been incorporated into claim 1; note that claims 5 and 6 require a thermoplastic elastomer while claim 1 requires a thermoset elastomer. Applicant should amend the dependency of claim 7, or make claim 7 an independent claim. Sec 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

  
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